PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Tomoo KOBAYASHI et al.

Rule 53(b) Divisional of Application No.: 09/000,932

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For: IMAGE STRIPPING MEMBER, AND IMAGE STRIPPING APPARATUS AND

IMAGE STRIPPING METHOD USING THE MAGE STRIPPING MEMBER

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Please consider the following:

Amendments to the Specification; and

Remarks.